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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

STAT FROM :
SA to the DCI for Compartmentation

SUBJECT : APEX - Kick-off for the New Nondisclosure Agreement

1. The Community is about ready to begin APEX indoctrination. You might wish to consider the desirability and practicality of having some VIPs sign the Nondisclosure Agreement before it is floated to the bulk of Government officials.

2. Last week a group of Community lawyers were assembled to discuss various problems. APEX was among them. They collectively, especially State, opined that refusals to sign the NdA are likely. They informally recommended that the process would be eased if the briefing officers could flatly state that the NdA has been signed by the President, and/or the Vice President, Secretary of State, Secretary of Defense, you, Dr. Brzezinski, and whomever else can be dragooned. In my opinion, the effort to get signatures will be easier and more successful if it begins with the White House/NSC structure. You are the appropriate person to raise the manner of high-level indoctrination since you have been directed by the President to implement APEX as Executive Agent for the NSC.

STAT 3. You may wish to talk to or me about the benefits of getting the VIP signatures early on and perhaps to Dr. Brzezinski regarding its practicality.

4. This memorandum was coordinated with

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